

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication in the Office Action that claims 7 and 8 are allowed and claims 2 and 4-6 are allowable. Claims 2 and 4 have each been rewritten in independent form to include the subject matter of base claim 1. Allowable claims 5 and 6 have been amended to depend from, and be consistent with, newly independent claim 4. Therefore, allowance of claims 2 and 4 and all claims dependent therefrom is warranted.

Claims 1 and 3 have been canceled.

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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